

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION  
OPIATE LITIGATION

) CASE NO.: 1:17MD2804  
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) JUDGE DAN A. POLSTER  
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) MAGISTRATE JUDGE DAVID A. RUIZ  
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) **STATUS REPORT**  
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Pursuant to this Court’s Order, the Drug Enforcement Administration (“DEA”) submits this following status report. (Order, ECF No. 155, at PageID # 819.) First, the Department of Justice has authorized the disclosure of additional official information. Specifically, DEA has been authorized to disclose the identity of manufacturers and distributors who sold 95% of the opiates in each state during the time period 1/1/2006 through 12/31/2014—with an aggregate amount of pills sold and the market shares of each manufacturer and distributor—on a state-by-state basis. A copy of the authorization letter is attached as Government Exhibit A. Second, DEA estimates that it will take approximately two weeks after the issuance of a satisfactory protective order to provide this additional information. Third, DEA estimates that it will take approximately thirty (30) days after the issuance of a satisfactory protective order to provide the other information that was previously authorized to be disclosed. (Not. of Compliance, Ex. A, ECF No. 145-1, at PageID # 804.) Finally, the DEA informs the Court that it will work with the parties to determine the technical requirements and processes to facilitate the sharing of this information.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 5, 2018, a copy of the foregoing *Status Report* was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

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